

Rev. Amos A. Phelps.

Wrentham.

Mass.

Drawn by Mr Blake

he should engage some one else to preach, not knowing
certainly that you would be here. If you wish me to tell
him, that you shall, certainly, be here at it, so as to preach
for him a week from next Sunday, if he wishes it, and
will write to me immediately, I will do it. I merely sug-
gest this; you, of course, will act according to your plea-
sure. ~~about~~ to all.

Your afft brother,

B. A. Stiths.

It is reported here, that some one sent by Mr. Park
to get permission, ^{to deliver a lecture} in this church upon Abolitionism.
I think, that there is no doubt that permission will be
given.

With regard to the progress of the cause in college,
I can only say, that there has appeared to be more
interest upon the subject this term than last. The
Anniversaries held at Boston and New York seem
to have given a new impulse to the work in the hearts
of some of the Students who attended them.

One member of my class (Britchell) engaged, at New
York, to raise \$125,00 for the American A. S. Society
during the present year. He is consequently much engag-
ed, as indeed he ever has been, in the advancement of
this cause. There are many others equally engaged here;
though a few, perhaps, as active abroad. Our monthly
prayer-meetings, for the Slaves, are continued yet.

If there should be a society formed in the village
many of the Students of College will, probably,
join it.

Mr Buffum is the only person that has ever delivered
an Anti-Slavery lecture ^{in Amherst}, since I have been a mem-
ber of colleg^e. There is a great deal of ignorance here
in relation to Anti-slavery principles. Prof Worcester
has had this people ~~here~~ "under his thumb". He has done
nearly all their thinking, and talking, for them, upon
that subject. But now he has gone, perhaps they may
be induced to think for themselves.

If it will be in your power, to be here a week from next
Saturday, perhaps you had better write to me imme-
diately, so that I can ^{tell} speak to Mr Park, lest he should

J. A. Fish

Amherst College, June 25, 1835.

I received a letter from you a week or two since, saying that you would be at Amherst, about the fourth of July, and would lecture to us upon Slavery. I, for one, can say, that I shall be very glad to see you and hear you; not merely on account of personal friendship for you, but also, because I think it will tend to advance the cause of Abolitionism, which, I am sorry to say, is not in a very flourishing state in this village. Some efforts are now being made, to form a society among the inhabitants of this parish. For this, and some other reasons, I think the present, a favorable time for you to labor here. When I say that I shall be glad to see you at Amherst, I believe I express the feelings of many of the Students, certainly of all the Abolitionists. The church and Society of this parish have recently given Edward Humphrey a call to settle with them as their pastor. They gave him an answer in the negative. Mr Park has engaged to supply their pulpit for a few Sabbaths. I think he will apply to you to preach, when you come. I will let him know that you will be here.